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1. Old Czech fortifications along the border between Cesky Krumlov (Krumau, N49/Q84) and Kraslice (Graslitz, N51/K30) have been repaired and are garrisoned by units of the Czech Army, German auxiliary troops*, and one Soviet unit, ** allegedly composed of Ukrainian troops. The militarized frontier has been extended in depth from 15 to 25 kilometers. Mine fields are being laid and anti-tank barriers are under construction. It is rumored that a Soviet armored division arrived in the vicinity of Chab (Eger, N51/P37) at the end of December and that 150 bombers and 60 fighters manned by Soviet crews are stationed at the Chab airfield. A new concrete runway has been constructed at the military air base at Pilsen, and two Soviet Air Force squadrons are stationed there.

2. [REDACTED] reports that East German militia units* commanded by Soviet officers and two regiments of a Soviet division stationed at Caslav (050/M47) are undergoing training at the Riesengebirge area. Soviet garrisons are established at the Liberec (Reichenberg, 051/G16) and Litomerice (Leitmeritz, N51/F53) airfields and at the new fields at Bilin (N51/F23) and Zatec (Saaz, N51/F10), where short-range bombers and fighters are now based. It is estimated that there are 100 to 120 planes at Litomerice, 80 at Liberec, and 70 each at Bilin and Zatec. Strong Soviet infantry and armored units have been assigned to the military zone, particularly in the Erzgebirge opposite Bavaria. The Soviet soldiers are from 18 to 24 years old and are believed to be recruits of the 1926-1932 classes. According to Czech officials, they have been assigned to Czechoslovakia to study the terrain and climate.

* [REDACTED] Comment: Presumably units of the Soviet Zone paramilitary police are meant.

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